

IN THE CLAIMS

All pending claims are reproduced below. Please cancel claims 16-20.

1. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

a tangible personal digital key including a first wireless transceiver;

a device coupled to the personal digital key via a wireless network, the device including a

second wireless transceiver that receives data from the personal digital key and a

reader/decoder circuit that transmits data received from the tangible personal digital key

to a provider, the device receiving data from the provider and authenticating the data

received from the personal digital key.
2. (Canceled).
3. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the device comprises a computer with a
computer hard drive and the reader/decoder circuit is located in the computer hard drive.
4. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the device comprises a swipe unit and
the reader/decoder circuit is located in the swipe unit.
5. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising a second personal digital key
wherein the second digital key also authenticates a user attempting to access the device.
6. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the personal digital key is a tangible article.
7. (Original) The system of claim 3, wherein the reader/decoder circuit is integrated with the
computer.
8. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the computer comprises a personal
digital key (PDK)-hard drive.
9. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the device comprises a computer
including a hard drive and wherein the reader/decoder circuit comprises a circuit board coupled to the
hard drive.

10. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the wireless network is a secure radio frequency (RF) link between the computer and the personal digital key.

11. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3 wherein the computer transmits and receives data from the provider through an Internet connection.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the provider includes a database, wherein the database includes an account identifier and a personal digital key identifier.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the provider authenticates the data received from the personal key data transmitted by the personal digital key to the computer is authenticated by personal digital key data stored in the database.

14. (Original) The system of claim 4 wherein the swipe unit transfers and receives data from a provider through an Internet connection.

15. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 4 wherein data transmitted by the personal digital key to the reader is authenticated by personal digital key data stored in the database.

16-20. (Canceled)